

REMARKS

Claims 1-16 are pending in this application. By this amendment, claims 1 and 9 are amended. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

Entry of the amendments is proper under 37 CFR §1.116 since the amendments:

- (a) place the application in condition for allowance (for the reasons discussed herein);
- (b) do not raise any new issue requiring further search and/or consideration (since the amendments amplify issues previously discussed throughout prosecution); and (c) place the application in better form for appeal, should an appeal be necessary. The amendments are necessary and were not earlier presented because they are made in response to arguments raised in the final rejection. Entry of the amendments is thus respectfully requested.

The Office Action rejects claims 1-6, 8-14 and 16 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Ueda (U.S. Patent No. 5,900,860) in view of Nagai (U.S. Patent No. 4,126,310); and claims 7 and 15 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over Ueda in view of Chernock et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,229,524). The rejections are respectfully traversed.

In particular, none of the applied references disclose or suggest an image generating system and associated computer readable program that includes image generation means which changes at least one of shape, position, rotation angle, direction, moving direction and moving speed of the part objects determined as objects to be changed, as recited in independent claims 1 and 9.

Ueda teaches a color-converting function that is corrected in accordance with input color data of an original image, wherein the original image is converted into colors which are different from colors of the original image, but which are appreciated by the user (Abstract).

Nagai teaches a light emission weapon including a filament electric bulb and a shutter which is momentarily actuated in association with a trigger to project a pulse light from its muzzle (Abstract).

Chernock teaches a user interface for the interaction, by a viewer, with a content of a multimedia presentation and functions related to this content (Abstract).

Accordingly, Ueda does not teach image generation means which changes at least whatever shape, position, rotation angle, direction, moving direction and moving speed of the part objects. Ueda merely teaches generating color (Col. 4, lines 44-51; Col. 5, lines 12-26). Moreover, neither Nagai nor Chernock, alone or in combination, cure deficiencies in Ueda in teaching generating means which changes at least one of shape, position, rotation angle, direction, moving direction and moving speed. Accordingly, a combination of the applied references does not arrive at the subject matter of independent claims 1 and 9. Thus, independent claims 1 and 9, and their dependent claims, are patentable over a combination of the applied references. As such, withdrawal of the rejections of the claims under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) is respectfully requested.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 1-16 is earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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